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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Application of U.S. Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws to Hong Kong

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Application of U.S. Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws to Hong Kong.

SUMMARY: This document notifies the public that no change in the status of current orders or proceedings or in current practice regarding the application of the U.S. antidumping and countervailing duty laws will be made, either to Hong Kong or the PRC.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff May, Acting Director, Office of Policy, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3713, 14th Street and Constitution Avenues, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482-4412.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Sino-British Joint Declaration, signed in 1984, the People's Republic of China (PRC) resumed the exercise of sovereignty over Hong Kong on July 1, 1997. Section 201 of the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 states that this reversion will not affect the manner in which Hong Kong is treated under U.S. law. Furthermore, the U.S. Customs Service has determined that no change in the current practice regarding the country of origin marking of goods produced in Hong Kong should be made as a result of this reversion (see 62 FR 30927). This means that Hong Kong will be considered a separate Customs territory within the PRC, as it was considered a separate Customs territory under British rule.

Accordingly, this document notifies the public that no change in the status of current orders or proceedings or in current practice regarding the application of the U.S. antidumping and countervailing duty (AD/CVD) laws will be made, either to Hong Kong or the PRC. Petition requirements and initiations, investigations, administrative reviews, revocations, circumvention inquiries, the coverage and scope of AD/CVD orders and suspension agreements, the calculation of normal value, and all other methodological, policy, and procedural aspects of U.S. AD/CVD proceedings, conducted under Title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, will not change.

Dated: August 5, 1997.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Export Trade Certificate of Review

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Initiation of Process to Revoke Export Trade Certificate of Review No. 94-00004.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Commerce issued an export trade certificate of review to Allegheny Highland Hardwoods, Inc. Because this certificate holder has failed to file an annual report as required by law, the Department is initiating proceedings to revoke the certificate. This notice summarizes the notification letter sent to Allegheny Highland Hardwoods, Inc.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: W. Dawn Busby, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 ("the Act") (15 U.S.C. 4011-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue export trade certificates of review. The regulations implementing Title III ("the Regulations") are found at 15 CFR part 325. Pursuant to this authority, a certificate of review was issued on July

13, 1994 to Allegheny Highland Hardwoods, Inc.

A certificate holder is required by law (Section 308 of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 4018) to submit to the Department of Commerce annual reports that update financial and other information relating to business activities covered by its certificate. The annual report is due within 45 days after the anniversary date of the issuance of the certificate of review (Sections 325.14(a) and (b) of the Regulations). Failure to submit a complete annual report may be the basis for revocation (Section 325.10(a) of the Regulations).

The Department of Commerce sent to Allegheny Highland Hardwoods, Inc. on October 6, 1995, a letter containing annual report questions with a reminder that its annual report was due by August 28, 1995. Additional reminders were sent on July 18, 1996, October 18, 1996, and on January 3, 1997. The Department has received no response to any of these letters.

On August 4, 1997, and in accordance with Section 325.10 (c)(1) of the Regulations, a letter was sent by certified mail to notify Allegheny Highland Hardwoods, Inc. that the Department was formally initiating the process to revoke its certificate. The letter stated that this action is being taken because of the certificate holder's failure to file an annual report.

In accordance with Section 325.10(c)(2) of the Regulations, each certificate holder has thirty days from the day after its receipt of the notification letter in which to respond. The certificate holder is deemed to have received this letter as of the date on which this notice is published in the **Federal Register**. For good cause shown, the Department of Commerce can, at its discretion, grant a thirty-day extension for a response.

If the certificate holder decides to respond, it must specifically address the Department's statement in the notification letter that it has failed to file an annual report. It should state in detail why the facts, conduct, or circumstances described in the notification letter are not true, or if they are, why they do not warrant revoking the certificate. If the certificate holder does not respond within the specified period, it will be considered an admission of the statements contained